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EDITORIALS

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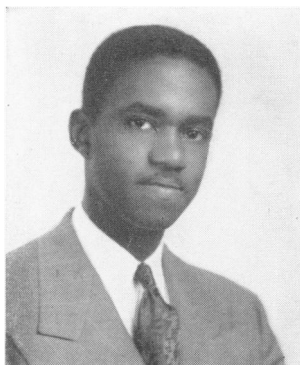
On January 14, 1955 the world celebrated the eightieth birthday of the great Alsatian physician, Albert Schweitzer, known everywhere for his work among the natives at Labaréné in French Equatorial Africa, a man whose life is without parallel in human history. Some years ago H. G. Wells wrote a short article, "The Three Greatest Men Who Ever Lived." Intrigued by a glimpse of the title on a magazine cover, the editor wrote down as his three Aristotle, Jesus and Leonardo, and then looked to see whom Mr. Wells had chosen. He had named Aristotle, Jesus and Buddha. In a very interesting essay, the late English novelist and historian set forth that in making his selections he had had to use as controlling criteria not only the inherent worth of the character of the men and their works, but also their influence on posterity. On this count da Vinci could not be considered because one of the tragic aspects of the career of this multilateral genius of the Renaissance was that so much of his work was long lost or for other reasons failed to influence directly either his contemporaries or the generations immediately following.

Albert Schweitzer is a unique human being in whom we have seen combined the catholicity of intellect of Aristotle, the compassion of Jesus, the tranquility of Buddha and the ingenuity and versatility of Leonardo. Moreover, those of his own time have profited abundantly from the long life span during which the products of his genius have been appearing. The National Medical Association, for which this Journal speaks, has particular reason to be inspired by the example of his career and its members would be exceedingly remiss if they failed to perceive his profound significance, actually and symbolically, in the present era.

The award of the Nobel peace prize served only to render more distinctive the humility which has always accompanied his achievements. Perhaps more than any man living Dr. Schweitzer came close to making all knowledge his province, in the Baconian sense. He holds doctorates in four fields: theology, music, philosophy and medicine. While it has been his medical work which has brought him universal acclaim, his gifts and impeccable scholarship have resulted in enduring contributions in the other three fields as well. A competent organist at nine, he became famed

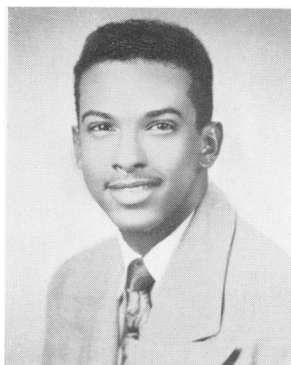
ASSISTANT EDITORS THREE

Into Uniform



DR. J. MARK COX
Commissioned in the Air Force

In Harness



DR. LASALLE D. LEFFALL
Present Assistant Editor

Out of Uniform



DR. CLYDE W. PHILLIPS
Home from the Air Force

LEFFALL SUCCEEDS COX AS ASSISTANT EDITOR

The assistant editor of the *Journal*, DR. JOHN MARK COX, has been called to the colors. Commissioned a Major in the Medical Corps of the United States Air Force, Dr. Cox sailed with his family in February from Fort Hamilton, Brooklyn, New York, to Germany, where he expects to be stationed for a two year tour of duty. He carries with him the best wishes of his colleagues in the National Medical Association and on the staff of the *Journal* in appreciation of the excellent service he has rendered.

For his post the *Journal* has recruited DR. LASALLE DOHENY LEFFALL, JR., a young man of outstanding ability and promise. Dr. Leffall is currently an assistant resident in surgery at District of Columbia General Hospital. He is a native of Quincy, Florida, and a graduate of Florida A. and M. High School where he was valedictorian in 1945. He received the B.S., *summa cum laude*, from Florida A. and M. College in 1948, having served as editor-in-chief of the college paper as an undergraduate. Howard University awarded him the M.D. in 1952. In medical school he led his class for each of the four years and won many prizes and honors, including the presidency of the Kappa Pi Honorary Medical Society in his junior year. During 1952-53 Dr. Leffall served a rotating internship in Homer G. Phillips Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri, and spent the following year as assistant resident in general surgery at Freedmen's Hospital in Washington. Following the completion of his residency at D.C. General Hospital, Dr. Leffall will return to Freedmen's for

three years additional work in the Department of Surgery of Howard Medical School. He brings to the diverse tasks of the *Journal* a fresh vigor, outlook and industry from which our treasured periodical should profit much.

It is a pleasure to note at this time also, the return to the private practice of surgery in Chicago of DR. CLYDE W. PHILLIPS, who was assistant editor of the *Journal* from 1950 to 1952. He has completed two years service in Japan as a Captain in the Medical Corps of the United States Air Force.

JOHN A. ANDREW CLINICAL SOCIETY
TO HONOR DR. BRYANT

The Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting and the Forty-third Annual Clinic of the John A. Andrew Clinical Society will be held at the John A. Andrew Memorial Hospital, Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, April 3-8, 1955.

The meeting this year will honor DR. HENRY C. BRYANT who was one of the founders of both the John A. Andrew Clinical Society and the John A. Andrew Clinic. Dr. Bryant is a prominent physician and surgeon in the city of Birmingham, Alabama, and was not only present at the organization of the John A. Andrew Clinical Society thirty-seven years ago, but was also present at the Annual Meeting of the National Medical Association held at Tuskegee Institute forty-three years ago in 1912, when the John A. Andrew Memorial Hospital was dedicated and the Clinic was organized as an affiliate of the National Medical Association. This affiliation with the National Medical Association has been retained throughout the years and is responsible in no small way, together with Tuskegee Institute, in the

nurturing and development of this organization. Dr. Bryant has done outstanding work in the Birmingham community, not only as a physician and surgeon, but in civic affairs as well. A few years ago he was honored by his community for this outstanding service.

The John A. Kenney Memorial Banquet, initiated two years ago as an annual feature of the program, will be held on Wednesday evening at 8:00 p.m. in the auditorium of Tompkins Hall. This banquet is in honor of the late DR. JOHN A. KENNEY, one of the founders of the Society who did so much as Medical Director of Tuskegee Institute to stimulate post graduate medical training in the South. This year both of his sons, Dr. John A. Kenney, Jr. of Cleveland in dermatology and Dr. Howard W. Kenney of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama in internal medicine, will contribute to the program.

At the last executive meeting of the 1954 session it was voted to establish the Charles R. Drew Memorial Lecture in surgery, in memory of the late DR. CHARLES R. DREW who was very instrumental in the later years of the Clinical Society in helping us to reorganize our program and develop it into a teaching institution.

Prompted by an editorial in the *Journal* of the National Medical Association a few years ago by the editor, Dr. Montague Cobb, the John A. Andrew Clinical Society decided at its Annual Sessions to pay special attention to the field of anesthesia. With this in mind, two outstanding anesthesiologists, DR. JOHN ADRIANI, Director of Anesthesia at the Charity Hospital in New Orleans, and DR. ROBERT A. HINGSON, Professor of Anesthesiology at Western Reserve University in Cleveland, will appear on the program. Both of these gentlemen participated last year and are sincerely interested in doing something about anesthesia. This prompted the urgent invitation for their return.

The staff of the Veterans Administration Hospital under the leadership of Dr. Asa G. Yancey, Chief of Surgical Services; Dr. E. T. Odom, Chief of Medical Service; Dr. Horace C. Dwiggs, Chief of the Ophthalmology Service; and others of their staff are opening the facilities of the Veterans Administration Hospital to the meeting as well as cooperating in their customary ways to make this an outstanding meeting.

Many other outstanding persons in the field of medicine and surgery will also attend. Among them are DR. SAMUEL A. LEVINE of Harvard Medical School, in heart diseases; DR. GEORGE CRILE, JR., of the Cleveland Clinic, in surgery; DR. S. ALLEN WILKINSON of the Lahey Clinic, in gastroenterology; DR. AMOS CHRISTIE in pediatrics from Vanderbilt University; DR. F. PERRY CRUMP in pediatrics from Meharry Medical College; and others.

The weather in Tuskegee during the month of April is most ideal after a cold winter. It is certain that the participants in the meeting will have a very profitable and enjoyable stay at Tuskegee.

DR. RICHARD M. HASKINS of Columbus, Georgia, is president and DR. EUGENE H. DIBBLE, JR., of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, is secretary of the John A. Andrew Clinical Society.



DR. SINKLER

SINKLER RECEIVES HONORARY DEGREE

DR. WILLIAM H. SINKLER, (M.D., Howard, '32) medical director of Homer G. Phillips Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri, received the honorary degree of Doctor of Science from Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, at its Centennial Commencement on June 8, 1954. The award was made in recognition of his exemplary work at Homer G. Phillips Hospital over the past fourteen years. Dr. Sinkler was also recently admitted to the International Society of Surgeons.

Dr. Sinkler graduated from the Haines Normal Institute, Augusta, Georgia, in 1924. He received the A.B. from Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, in 1928 and the M.D. from Howard University in 1932. From 1932 through 1936 he served an internship and residency in surgery in St. Louis City Hospital No. 2. In 1941 he was made medical director of the Homer G. Phillips Hospital, in St. Louis, a post in which he has continued until the present.

In 1947 Dr. Sinkler became a diplomate of the American Board of Surgery and was admitted to fellowship in the American College of Surgeons in 1948 and in the International College of Surgeons in 1949. He is a member of Kappa Pi Honorary Society and the Beta Kappa Chi scientific society. He is also an instructor in surgery in the Washington University School of Medicine and in the Homer G. Phillips Nursing School. He is also associate director of surgery in Homer G. Phillips Hospital and visiting surgeon to St. Mary's Infirmary. He has served the National Medical Association as vice chairman of the Surgical Section, 1941-1949, and was chairman of the Surgical Section in 1950. He has been chairman of the Program Committee of the Homer G. Phillips Internes Alumni Association from 1945 to the present and a member of its Executive Board since 1946.

Dr. Sinkler is the author of numerous scientific medical publications and has been a featured speaker before many medical organizations. He is a member of the National Medical Association, American Medical Asso-

ciation, the St. Louis Medical Society, the Missouri Medical Association, the Mound City Medical Society and the Pan Missouri Medical Society. He also belongs to Alpha Phi Alpha and Chi Delta Mu. In 1953 he was awarded the insignia of the Haitian National Order, signifying "Honor and Merit."

The Editor may perhaps be permitted an expression of pardonable pride in the achievements of Dr. Sinkler and DR. J. OWEN BLACHE, pathologist in Homer G. Phillips Hospital and a diplomate of the American Board of Pathology. These two men were members of the first class he taught as instructor in embryology in Howard Medical School in 1928 while himself a senior medical student. Since a teacher's chief rewards are in the heights attained by his students, it is a solid satisfaction to know that one contributed a widow's mite to the training of these two men and to envision even greater things for them.

NIGERIAN MEDICAL LEADER VISITS HOWARD

PROFESSOR BEATRICE M. JOLY, M.D., M.R.C.P., F.R.C.S., professor and head of the Department of Surgery of the Faculty of Medicine, University College, Ibadan, Nigeria, visited the Howard University College of Medicine in February. Dr. Joly is in the United States on a Fulbright Grant in the interest first, of studying certain surgical diseases among colored people in Southern American states. Secondly, the Carnegie Foundation has given her a grant which is enabling her to get around to all parts of the United States to see nursing and medical schools. Thirdly, she is trying to see all Nigerian medical students in training in the United States, both to tell them what has been happening in the development of nursing, medical and other university education in Nigeria during the time they have been away from their country and to meet them personally to form opinions as to which of them will be potential members of the teaching hospital staff in the future.

There are about thirty medical students scattered through the medical schools of the United States. So far she has seen those in Boston at the Harvard Medical School and at Boston University and has had the pleasure of luncheon with seven of them at Howard University.

The Ibadan Medical School as it exists at present is training students for the University of London degree, M.B.S. The teaching hospital is not yet completed so that at home they study anatomy, physiology, biochemistry and pharmacology, and now complete their clinical work in the schools in England. After October, 1956, this whole picture will change when the new teaching hospital of 500 beds with very good modern equipment will be completed. Then the students will go right through to their London M.B.S. course and remain for internships, residencies, which are called registrars, and it is hoped, for postgraduate work as well.

Since most of the Nigerian students have come to the United States, there have been other developments at home. The setting up of the School of Nursing at the University Hospital which has in the two and one half

years of its existence achieved recognition by the General Nursing Council of England, is probably one of the best things going in Nigeria at the moment. Then there is the School of Technology, Arts, and Science. This is filling a gap and supplying subjects which the University College does not supply at the moment. Dr. Joly felt it very important that the Nigerian students should know about these developments and realize the possibilities for working when they get back. She considered briefing them one of the most valuable things she could do during her stay in the United States.

Dr. Joly trained in London and did her internship there at the Royal Hospital, which is one of twelve hospitals belonging to London University. She subsequently took the M.D. and was admitted to membership in the Royal College of Physicians. After two years work in England, she went to India and taught in two medical schools for thirteen years and came to like the country and its people very much. The first medical school was in Aggra and it was then what was known as a school for the training of apprentice surgeons through a four year course, including all subjects. These graduates were not fitted for very responsible posts. This grade has now been abolished in England and these schools no longer exist.

After two years Dr. Joly went to the Lady Harden Medical College, which was part of the University of Punjab. This institution trained up to University standing and was recognized by the General Medical Council of England. She was there for ten years teaching surgery and left in 1947 when her service was due for complete reorganization.

The position in Nigeria, along similar lines, had exciting appeal to her because it was something new in building a new university out of nothing. She went there in March, 1948. At that time there was no university at all and the college functioned in a series of old buildings which have now been replaced by some fine modern buildings housing the whole college. The original buildings of the College were paid for by the British Government on a grant from the Colonial Welfare Fund. The current grants are paid by the Nigerian Government. It has only now been possible to get the money to build a hospital of proper standard. In the meantime, members of the medical faculty have been working in the local hospitals, building their knowledge of the patterns of local disease and of the conditions of the country, learning their way around with the patients and getting themselves known. All of them are looking forward to the time when the new teaching hospital will be completed and they can get back to their duties of teaching medical students again instead of administering and building.

The new hospital of 500 beds, comprising all the major departments and a very big outpatient department, it is hoped will be staffed after the manner of teaching hospitals in the United Kingdom or in the United States.

The Nigerian Government has put 3½ million pounds, which may have to be increased, for the actual

DAILEY RECEIVES HAITIAN DECORATION



At a banquet in Port au Prince, Haiti, in January 1954, Dr. Ulysses G. Dailey of Chicago, Ill., was awarded the National Order of Honor and Merit, Grade of Officer, by the Haitian Government. Dr. George Hindicourt, professor of ophthalmology, School of Medicine, University of Haiti, is introducing Dr. Dailey. Others in photo are: l. to r., Dr. Dailey, M. Roger Dorsainville, Haitian Minister of Health, Mlle. de Silvains, Professor Antoni Leveque, Professor Boni and Professor Bonhomme.

building of the hospital. Operation and maintenance will cost about a half million pounds a year. This is coming directly from the Nigerian Government. The hospital is not run as a Government Hospital. It has its own hospital board, comprising representatives from the Government, representatives from the University College, particularly the medical faculty, and representatives from the various regions of Nigeria together with local representatives of the public where the pattern is situated.

The proportion of Africans to Europeans in the College and in the Hospital, at the moment is not high, although it is higher in the College than in the Hospital. In the College, the head of the History Department and a member of the staff of the Botany Department, who is a very good research man, are Nigerians. There are others in the Parasitology Department, and in lower echelon places in other departments. On the medical side, the professor of public health, and the second assistant of surgery are Nigerians. Two Nigerians are in the Department of Pathology, and, of course, some of the residents and all the internes are Nigerians. The proportions will grow every year as they become more experienced and better qualified people return from overseas.

At present there are very few private practitioners in Nigeria. These are scattered in the big towns, in ridiculously small proportions to the number of people. For instance in Bantan, there are one half million people and three general practitioners. This means that the population doesn't get anything like the medical care it needs. It also means that in the hospital teaching area, there can be no screening of patients. The greatest need,

Dr. Joly believes, is for young Nigerians, either graduate or being trained in Nigeria, to go through all the grades from start to finish, from interne to senior resident. Then for a small proportion of those to stay in the hospital as staff and to teach students, and for a large proportion to go out and set up general practice of a high standard. Some will have to enter Government service to run the Government hospitals all over the country, there being a shortage of medical aid throughout all the regions.

The majority of Nigerian students who are overseas in the United States and in the United Kingdom are on scholarship furnished by the Nigerian Government. They are, therefore, expected to go back when they have finished their training and play their part in building up the medical needs of their own country.

DAILEY COMPLETES WORLD TOUR

DR. ULYSSES GRANT DAILEY, former president of the National Medical Association, founder fellow and trustee board member of the International College of Surgeons, was among a group of distinguished American surgeons who returned recently from an around the world tour and scientific meetings under the auspices of the International College of Surgeons.

The tour which comprised stops at Tokyo, Kioto and Osaka in Japan, Manila, Hong Kong, Bangkok, Bombay and Karachi, ended officially in Istanbul, Turkey. Different members of the party then separated, some going to Israel, Cairo, North Africa, others to various parts of Europe.

Dr. Dailey flew from Istanbul to Beirut, Lebanon,

where he talked with Professor Edward Hope, faculty member of the American University. Professor Hope is the son of the late Dr. John Hope who was, until his death, president of Morehouse College in Atlanta. Dr. Dailey then went to Rome whence he travelled by plane to Marseilles, France, and visited the French Riviera. At Marseilles, he was the guest of the American Consul General, Mr. Clifton R. Wharton, through whose courtesy he was enabled to visit historical sites and scenes at Nîmes, Avignon, Aix-en-Provence, Arles and Toulon.

At Bangkok, Dr. Dailey was guest of Sir Berkeley Gage, former British Consul at Chicago, who is now Her Majesty's Ambassador to Thailand. Dr. Dailey's name is one of three famous surgeons proposed for honorary Fellowship in the Philippine Surgical Society. Dr. Dailey who speaks French and German, was a major participant in the scientific programs arranged by officers of the International College of Surgeons of the countries visited, lecturing on "The Surgical Treatment of Peptic Ulcer with Special Reference to Phrenovagotomy."

The International College of Surgeons was founded twenty years ago by DR. MAX THOREK who is now its permanent Secretary-General. The organization's fundamental credo is based upon the immortal Louis Pasteur's classic definition that "La Science n'a pas de patrie," meaning that science knows no geographical boundaries. Membership in the organization is open to "surgeons of merit without regard to nationality, race or color." It is truly an international organization with affiliates, chapters and sections in many parts of the world.

With yearly increases in its global coverage, the international assemblage in the various national capitals takes place every two years, the most recent of which occurred in 1954 at Sao Paulo, Brazil. The next meeting will be held at Geneva, Switzerland where it was founded. It is not the sense of the governing body to compete with or rival any other society. Its aims are progress in the science, the practice, and the cultural aspects of surgery. Among other features is the movement for the establishment of a permanent housing of the outstanding historical personages in surgery from the earliest times to the present. The Hall of Fame of the College which was recently dedicated in Chicago fills an absolute need in world culture and history. No other such institution exists in the world. The concept and execution of the plan is that of the dynamic founder and leader of the International College of Surgeons, Dr. Max Thorek.

The recent visit of the surgical group at Karachi and Bombay was for Dr. Dailey rather in the nature of a home-coming, as he had previously fulfilled lecture missions in each country.* In the course of these visits, he represented the American College of Surgeons at the Indian Congress of Surgeons at Calcutta in December, 1951, and had set up the new Pakistan Chapter of the International College of Surgeons in Karachi in January, 1952.*

* See this *Journal*, v. 44, p. 395, also pp. 288-295 and 380-385, 1952.

In December, 1953, Dr. Dailey attended the Third Medical Congress of the French Speaking Caribbean countries, the transactions of which were published in the "Bulletin de L'Association Medicale Haitienne," January-March, 1954. Thirty-five scientific articles were presented at these meetings which are published in full in the 350 page Bulletin published by the Haitian Medical Association. At the closing banquet of the Congress, Professor de Seze, Drs. U. G. Dailey (in absentia), St.-Cyr, Boisneuf and Montestruc received the diploma of honorary membership in the Haitian Medical Society. In addition, Professor de Seze and Dr. Dailey were decorated by the Government with the grade of Officer of the Order of Honor and Merit.

Dr. Dailey has the added distinction of being recently appointed Honorary Consul of Haiti in Chicago. This is the first time that an American Negro has been so honored by the Haitian government.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TAKES STEPS AGAINST AIR POLLUTION

There has been increasing evidence that polluted air constitutes a hazard to individual and community health and welfare in certain of the highly industrialized or large urban areas of the country. Specific occurrences of smoke, pollution, and fog—now known as "smog"—have been accompanied by excessive mortality and morbidity experience during periods of their prevalence. Such episodes have happened both in this country and abroad. The more devastating of these took place in Glasgow in 1909 and 1925; the Meuse Valley, Belgium, in 1930; London in 1948 and 1952; Donora, Pennsylvania, in 1948; and Poza Rica, Mexico, in 1950.

The latest and most highly publicized occurrences of community air pollution are those which affected Los Angeles in recent years. It has also been shown that air pollution has adverse effects on plants and animals upon which this country depends for food, fiber, and other essential commodities. The consequences, if any, of long term exposure to subacute concentrations of air pollutants on man, animals, or plants have never been evaluated adequately.

The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare is basically interested in community air pollution with respect to its effects upon the health and welfare of the population at risk, and with regard to methods of effectively controlling or preventing the pollution or its undesirable consequences. Inasmuch as the Public Health Service of this Department is required to advise and assist the States in the protection of the public health and in the maintenance of adequate public health services, its major objective with respect to community air pollution is the provision of suitable control operations by State and local agencies.

Aside from the health consequences, economic and nuisance effects have long been of concern and are of increasing importance. Air pollutants contribute to the corrosion of metals, the staining and discoloration of

structures and fabrics, damage to crops and livestock, and devaluation of real property. These and similar losses plus the discharge of incompletely burned fuels and other materials cost the American public a staggering amount, estimated at over 1.5 billion dollars annually.

PROPOSED 1956 PROGRAM

The President's budget request provides the following funds for community air pollution activities:

- (a) \$594,500—to Public Health Service for air pollution research, studies and extension of assistance to control agencies
- (b) \$ 23,000—to the Department of State for transfer to the Public Health Service, for study of international air pollution problems at Detroit, Michigan—Windsor, Ontario
- (c) \$125,000—estimated amount to be made available from non-categorical research grant funds (estimated as same level as fiscal year 1955)

This provides for an increase of \$412,500 over fiscal year 1955, to be used for research and cooperative activities through the Robert A. Taft Sanitary Engineering Center in Cincinnati, Ohio. The principal elements of the program to be provided for in fiscal year 1956 are as follows:

- (a) Initiation of studies of the health effects of air pollutants through community studies and research on specific physiological effects.
- (b) Operation of a nationwide sampling network

for air pollutants in cooperation with state and local agencies. Samples are collected and forwarded to Cincinnati for analysis.

(c) Studies of relation between community air pollution and weather phenomena.

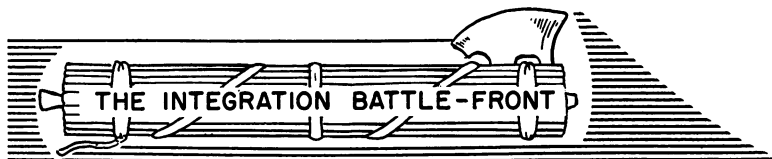
(d) Evaluation of air cleaning procedures—as concerned with control of pollutants at the source.

(e) Development of air pollution control guides—for application by control agencies.

(f) Limited technical assistance to state and local agencies on urgent problems of community air pollution and in technical training of personnel. Currently three men are on loan to the California State Health Department in connection with the Los Angeles problem; assistance to other areas will be provided within limitations of available staff.

AD HOC INTERDEPARTMENTAL ON AIR POLLUTION

At the suggestion of the White House, DHEW has organized this Committee with representation from the Atomic Energy Commission, the Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, Defense, Health, Education, and Welfare, Interior, and the National Science Foundation. This Committee was given the task of exploring the problems, interests, responsibilities, resources and activities of the several departments as concerned with air pollution as a basis for formation of Federal policy related thereto. These matters are receiving attention by the Committee and by the staff of this Department. It is expected that the Committee's recommendations will be available in the near future.



A MEDICAL VIEWPOINT ON THE PROPOSAL TO PLACE A BRANCH OF COOK COUNTY HOSPITAL ON THE SOUTHSIDE OF CHICAGO*

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Prepared for Committee for Equitable Medical Care

INTRODUCTION

The proposal to place a branch of Cook County Hospital on the Southside of Chicago in answer to the crying need of a large segment of Chicago's population, has been carefully studied. It would seem that the proposal as announced recently by the President of the Board of County Commissioners and widely circulated in the press is quite undesirable. It has been stated that this branch of Cook County Hospital, of indeterminate size and purpose, would be placed on 60th Street opposite Washington Park. It will be noted at

once that this is an area of extremely high concentration of Negro Citizens. While this proposal may be made in good faith we feel that it is ill-advised and that all of the various facets of the problem have not been considered in reaching this conclusion.

OBJECTIONS

Objection to this can be summarized in several definite and discrete headings.

A. *Segregation*: Any attempt to place a small unit of Cook County Hospital, whatever its nature, in the location proposed will end in nothing but a segregated hospital. This segregated pattern takes the distasteful form of being what is commonly spoken of as "jim crow". It has been the experience of many that whenever such an effort as this is made, it ends up by being a completely segregated or jim crow institution whether it be school, housing or hospital. It seems that this is hardly in keeping with the trend and the constant at-

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going to prove to be far more understanding and reasonable than his predecessor.

This *Journal*, at the national level, has repeatedly directed attention to the absence of Negro physicians on the National Advisory Health Councils and was proud to salute in its January, 1955 issue, the appointment of Dr. William McKinley Thomas to the National Advisory Mental Health Council and the pioneering efforts of Mrs. Jane Morrow Spaulding as Assistant to the Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, in directing attention of Federal authorities to this area.

CHICAGO N.A.A.C.P. FIGHTS HOSPITAL BIAS

The Chicago Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. has urged residents of Cook County, if injured in an accident, to ask to be taken to the nearest hospital instead of to Provident or Cook County for emergency treatment. Any cases refused such service by the ambulance driver or the police have been requested to report to the N.A.A.C.P. the details of their cases. The Branch is at present attempting to secure passage in the Illinois General Assembly of legislation prohibiting discrimination in hospital, health and medical services.

ROANOKE ACADEMY OF MEDICINE (Virginia) OPENS DOORS

The Roanoke Academy of Medicine voted in January to drop the "white only" clause from its by-laws and admit qualified Negro physicians, thus becoming the second medical organization in the Virginia to drop the color bar. The local society in Alexandria was the first.

At its regular meeting at the Tri-State Convention in Washington, November 2-3, 1954, the Medical Society of Virginia, the state organization, took action to pave the way for admission of Negro physicians by local societies.*

MAXWELL HEADS MILWAUKEE HOSPITAL STAFF

DR. JOHN W. MAXWELL (M.D., Meharry, '28), of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was unanimously elected in December 1954 Chief of Staff of St. Anthony's Hospital in Milwaukee. Dr. Maxwell, 57, is one of two Negroes on St. Anthony's staff of forty physicians. The other is Dr. CYRIL F. TURNER (M.D., Meharry, '18) 71, who recently became the first emeritus member of the hospital staff. Dr. Maxwell has been on the staff for the past seven years, was its vice president last year. A general practitioner, he has offices at 813 West North Avenue. Prior to coming to Milwaukee, Dr. Maxwell had practiced for eight years in Nashville, Tennessee and served as a physician in the city school system for another eight. He was a Major in the Medical Corps during World War II and saw two years service in Europe. Dr. Maxwell prepared for medicine at Morehouse College. He is a member of the Milwaukee County and the Wisconsin Medical Societies and of the Wisconsin Academy of General Practice.

* See this *Journal*, v. 17, p. 53, January, 1955.

PROFESSIONAL NEWS

Medical Education

MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE, Nashville, Tennessee

New Appointment. DR. DELORES JANET COOPER, was appointed in December, 1954, assistant professor of pharmacology. A native of Clarksdale, Mississippi, Dr. Cooper received her elementary and junior high school education in that city. In 1947 she graduated from the Mary Holmes High School in West Point, Mississippi, winning on graduation a \$600 scholarship, which was first prize in an oratorical contest sponsored by the Prince Hall Masonic Lodge of Mississippi. In 1951 Dr. Cooper graduated with the B.S. in Pharmacy from Xavier University, in New Orleans, at the head of her class. She received the M.S. and Ph.D. in pharmacology from Purdue. Dr. Cooper is a registered pharmacist in the State of Louisiana, a member of Sigma Xi, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Pharmaceutical Association.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, Washington, D.C.

Kappa Pi. The honorary Medical Society presented DR. CHARLES F. GESCHICKTER, professor of pathology at Georgetown University on December 16, 1954. He spoke on "Pre-malignant and Malignant Conditions of the Mammary Glands."

Hospitals

MERCY-DOUGLASS HOSPITAL, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

At the second annual staff banquet of the hospital in January, DR. PETER M. MURRAY, president of the Medical Society of the County of New York, delivered the principal address.

The new Mercy-Douglass building is expected to open in March, 1955. This will mark also the sixtieth anniversary of the institutions represented by the Mercy-Douglass Hospital, Douglass Hospital having been established by the late Dr. Nathan F. Mossell in 1895.

Among the guests of honor at the banquet were: DR. ARTHUR H. THOMAS, the REV. IRVIN UNDERHILL, DR. DANIEL B. TAYLOR, JUDGE HERBERT E. MILLEN, DR. HELEN O. DICKENS, DR. WILGERT H. STRICKLAND, DR. THOMAS A. WILLIAMS, DR. CLYDE POLLACK, DR. GEORGE D. SHOUP and DR. HUGH ROBERTSON, president of the Philadelphia County Medical Society.

NORTH BROWARD PROVIDENT HOSPITAL, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

MR. R. C. GIBBS, of New Bern, North Carolina, has been appointed administrator of the hospital as of January 1, 1955. Previously, Mr. Gibbs had enjoyed successful tours of duty as superintendent of the Community Hospital in Newark, New Jersey and the Community Hospital in Richmond, Virginia. Mr. Gibbs received his

training at North Carolina College, Shreveport American University in England and at Columbia University.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL, Tuskegee, Ala.

The Dental Service of the Hospital and the School of Dentistry of the University of Alabama, presented a seminar on Periodontology at the Hospital on December 2, 1954. DR. BALINT ORBAN, distinguished periodontologist, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, was guest clinician. He presented a new "Atlas of Oral Diseases," prepared by himself and Dr. Wentz.

HARLEM HOSPITAL, New York City, N.Y.

A testimonial dinner was tendered by the staff of the hospital to DR. RALPH H. YOUNG (M.D., Columbia, '14) on November 17, 1954 at the Concourse Plaza Hotel in the Bronx. The occasion was in recognition of Dr. Young's many years of service on the staff of the hospital and as acting director of the Department of Surgery. He will retire from the staff this year.

At the speakers table were: MRS. ALIDA DAILEY, DR. H. W. KOLBE, DR. and MRS. PETER M. MURRAY, DR. B. B. NADEL, DR. A. C. POSNER, DR. T. H. WALTERS and DR. and MRS. RALPH H. YOUNG. One hundred and seventy persons attended the dinner.

DR. VICTOR F. MARSHALL (M.D., Univ. of Va., '37) delivered the Second Annual Louis T. Wright Memorial Lecture on February 16, 1955. He spoke on "The Management of Surgical Injury to the Ureters in the Pelvis."

COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, Evanston, Illinois

The Hospital has recently received a "Certificate of Full Accreditation" from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals. Only 43.6 per cent of the Nation's hospitals are fully accredited. The Commission's final inspection, on which the certification was based, took place on November 17, 1954. The recent accreditation culminates two years of constant effort and progress both as to quantity and quality of service provided to the community. MR. CARLYLE E. ANDERSON, is president of the Hospital Board. MR. WILLIAM R. HOWES is administrator of the institution and DR. A. H. GATLIN is chief of the Medical Staff. The Community Hospital of Evanston was organized in 1914. Late in 1952 a million dollar new building was completed. Since moving to the new hospital the medical staff has been increased from less than twenty to over eighty.*

Grants-in-Aid

HOMER G. PHILLIPS HOSPITAL, St. Louis, Missouri

The SHRINERS have renewed their grant in the sum of \$16,500 to Homer G. Phillips Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri, for the diagnosis and management of uterine cancer.

The Masons of the State of Missouri have made an award of \$500.00 through the efforts of DR. S. E. MOORE, for support of research at Homer G. Phillips Hospital.

FREEDMEN'S HOSPITAL PEDIATRIC SECTION

The Washington Young Women's League recently sponsored a group of ballet dancers, who won the \$1,000 first prize in a TV talent show. League president, MRS. EDITH L. WELLS, presented the check to DR. ROLAND B. SCOTT, professor and head of the Department of Pediatrics in Howard Medical School for use by the Pediatric Section.

Organizations

HOMER G. PHILLIPS HOSPITAL INTERNES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, St. Louis, Missouri

The Association will hold its Tenth Annual Postgraduate Seminar, May 2-6, 1955. A symposium on "Cancer of the Lung," will be presented by DR. EVARTS GRAHAM, emeritus professor of surgery, Washington University; DR. RIGLER, professor of radiology, University of Minnesota; and DR. L. ACKERMAN, pathologist, Washington University.

Other participants of the several seminars will be DR. CARL MOYER, professor and chairman, Department of Surgery, Washington University; DR. CARROLL LEEVY, United States Navy; DR. JOSEPH HARDY, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, St. Louis University; DR. MATTHEW WALKER, professor and chairman, Department of Surgery, Meharry Medical College; DR. J. P. GREENHILL, professor of gynecology, Cook County Graduate School of Medicine; DR. JACK WHITE, director, Tumor Clinic, Howard University; DR. ROBERT ZOLLINGER, chairman, Department of Surgery, Ohio State University; and DR. ROBERT ELMAN, professor of surgery, Washington University, and chief of staff, Homer G. Phillips Hospital.

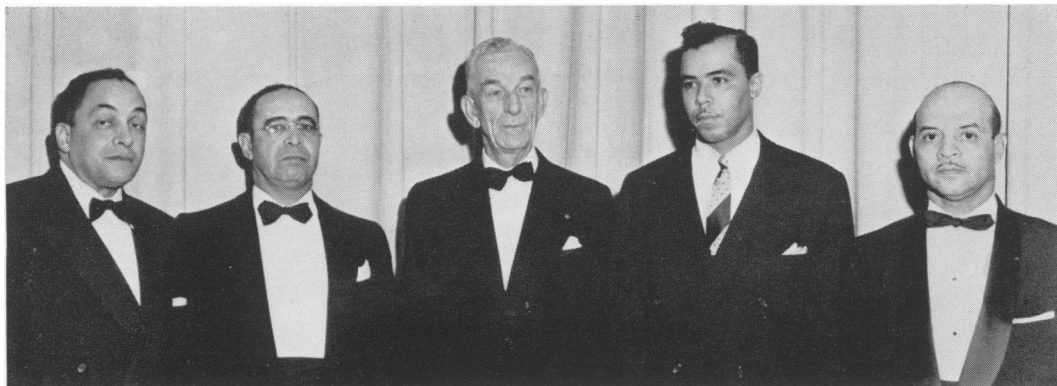
The Annual Banquet promises to be a very special one in keeping with the celebration of the "Tenth Anniversary." It is to be held at one of the downtown hotels. The entire medical profession is cordially invited to attend this postgraduate seminar. For further information, write DR. J. OWEN BLACHE, secretary, or DR. H. J. ERWIN, chairman of General Arrangements at Homer G. Phillips Hospital, 2601 N. Whittier Street, St. Louis 13, Missouri.

ASSOCIATION OF FORMER INTERNES AND RESIDENTS OF FREEDMEN'S HOSPITAL

The 1955 meeting of the Association will be held May 31 through June 2. DR. CLARENCE S. GREENE is chairman of the Program Committee and DR. J. HAROLD NICKENS, chairman of Entertainment. The officers of the Association are: DR. WILLIAM A. WARFIELD, JR., president; DR. JOHN B. JOHNSON, president-elect; DR. JAMES E. WALKER, executive secretary; DR. CHARLES R. CEPHAS, secretary; DR. ROBERT S. JASON, assistant secretary and DR. JAMES E. ROBERTS, treasurer.

* For previous story on Community Hospital, see this *Journal*, v. 45, pp. 74-75, January and v. 45, pp. 154-156, March, 1953.

**AT THE TENTH ANNUAL FOUNDERS LECTURE, MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**



Left to right. Dr. J. Richard Laurey, professor of surgery, Howard University; Dr. W. Montague Cobb, president, Medico-Chi; Dr. Preston A. McLendon, president, Medical Society of the District of Columbia; Dr. Asa G. Yancey, chief, Surgical Service, Veterans Administration Hospital, Tuskegee, Ala.; Dr. William B. Russell, chairman, Committee on Programs, Medico-Chi.

**MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY OF THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

November. At the regular meeting on November 18, 1954 the Tenth Annual Founders Lecture was given by DR. ASA G. YANCEY, chief, Surgical Service, Veterans Administration Hospital, Tuskegee, Alabama, on "The Surgical Program of a Veterans Administration Hospital, 1948-1954."

Complementary statements on recent progress in medical relations in the District of Columbia were given by DR. PRESTON A. MCLENDON, president of the Medical Society of the District of Columbia, and DR. MONTAGUE COBB, president of Medico-Chi.

December. At the regular meeting on December 23, 1954, DR. CHARLES E. BURBRIDGE, superintendent of Freedmen's Hospital was unanimously elected to honorary membership in the Society. The nomination read, "that Dr. Charles E. Burbridge, first Negro to earn the Ph.D. in hospital administration, be elected to honorary membership in recognition of his able conduct of his post in Freedmen's Hospital since 1947, his constant co-operation with the medical profession and his demonstrated dedication to the ideals of hospital service."

The following officers for 1955 were elected: DRs. MONTAGUE COBB, president; JACK E. WHITE, vice president; LILLIAN G. WHEELER, corresponding secretary; J. HAROLD NICKENS, recording secretary and CLAUDE P. CARMICHAEL, treasurer. DRs. WILLIAM F. NELSON, CLAUDE L. COWAN, CLARENCE S. GREENE, and R. STEWART RANDALL, were named to the Board of Governors, which consists of the officers, the past president, DR. EDWARD C. MAZIQUE, and the chairman of the Board of Censors, DR. JAMES E. ROBERTS.

In drafting Dr. Cobb for a fifth term as president, the Society expressed satisfaction with the quality and direction of the leadership he had given during 1954, and confidence in his ability to continue this during 1955, when the transitional problems of integration are ex-

pected to be numerous. Dr. Cobb previously served as president from 1945 through 1947, when the society waged its successful campaign for admission of Negro physicians to D.C. General Hospital, and later as chairman of the committee which successfully negotiated with the District Medical Society for the dropping of racial bars in that body.

The Society also voted to make an annual contribution of the enlargement and support of the Howard University Medical School library. This project was suggested by DR. MICHAEL M. MILLER.

January. The regular meeting on January 27, 1955 was devoted to a SYMPOSIUM ON PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION by DR. JOSEPH GERBER, medical director, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare; DR. JOSEPHINE BUCHANAN, chief, Physical Medicine Service, D.C. General Hospital; MR. TOM G. RATHBONE, chief, Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, District of Columbia Government; MR. LEONARD HILL, Rehabilitation Counsellor, D.C. Department of Vocational Rehabilitation; and MR. RICHARD HICKS, vice chairman, D.C. Commissioner's Committee on Employment of the Physical Handicapped.

February. The meeting of February 24, 1955 was devoted to a SYMPOSIUM ON "KNOW YOUR HEALTH DEPARTMENT," by the HONORABLE RENAH F. CAMALIER, Commissioner, District of Columbia; DR. DANIEL L. SECKINGER, Director of Public Health, D.C.; DR. ELLA OPPENHEIMER, chief, Bureau of Maternal and Child Welfare, D.C.; DR. JOHN R. PATE, chief, Bureau of Disease Control, D.C.; and DR. ANTHONY ZAPPALA, director, Alcoholic Rehabilitation Program, D.C.

The ROBERT T. FREEMAN DENTAL SOCIETY were the guests of Medico-Chi on this occasion. Refreshments were served at the Dunbar Hotel through the courtesy of the WASHINGTON PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

THE GLEE CLUB OF THE JUNIOR CLASS, HOWARD MEDICAL SCHOOL



Mr. Ralph Bledsoe conducts at the Medico-Chi Founders Lecture. This group and rival units subsequently formed from the other medical classes now constitute a definite contribution to the better life in Howard Medical School. There is also a chorus formed by the women students. Formed and maintained voluntarily by the students, the renditions of the groups show a commendable competence.

PIEDMONT MEDICAL, DENTAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, Union, South Carolina

At the regular meeting of the Association on October 14, 1954, DR. L. W. LONG, trustee of the National Medical Association, presented as guest speaker, DR. W. MONTAGUE COBB, who addressed the Association on "Historical Perspectives on the Fight for Integration in Medicine."

NEW JERSEY STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

The Association held its fall session in the Manual Training School, Bordentown, New Jersey, on October 13, 1954. In addition to the customary reports, the Association was addressed by MR. J. E. SEEGAR, principal of the Manual Training School. An NAACP Membership Plaque was presented. DR. W. L. LONGSHORE, gave a paper, "The Importance of X-Ray Examination of the Colon." Following luncheon, DR. W. MONTAGUE COBB, gave an address, "New Accent on Youth in Medicine."

The officers of the Association are DR. ULYSSES S. WIGGINS, Camden, president; DR. E. MAE MCCARROLL, Newark, president-elect; DR. H. S. INGE, vice president; DR. H. D. MARSHALL, Atlantic City, secretary; DR. G. E. GITTENS, Somerville, assistant secretary; DR. H. D. HOLMES, Atlantic City, treasurer. The trustees are: DRs. DAVID ANTHONY, New Brunswick; L. G. SCOTT, Bridgeton; F. THOMPSON, SR., Montclair; R. J. POWELL, Atlantic City and H. J. AUSTIN, Trenton.

DR. ULYSSES S. WIGGINS, president of the Association, made an urgent appeal for its support by the physicians of New Jersey. He said:

With the rapid progress being made in race relations in New Jersey and our outstanding civil rights laws, many are asking me as president of the New Jersey Medical Association what is the need for an organization such as ours since we can join our County Medical Society.

As anxious as I am to see the day come when we can discontinue our Association, so long as there are areas of discrimination in the medical field in our State or any other State, there is need for an organization such as ours.

Much of the credit for the position we occupy in New

Jersey and indeed in the whole nation belong to those local, state and national Negro units who worked so diligently over past years. Many individuals who today occupy places of prominence are there as the results of the blood, sweat and tears of Negro leaders long since passed on, but through whose labors we are benefitted, though they themselves never lived to see the dawn of the new era.

So long as we can make a contribution and until the last vestige of discrimination is eliminated in medical opportunities of all kinds in New Jersey and the entire nation, we have a reason for functioning. When all such problems are solved, we will all join hands in consigning our Association to the archives of history forever.

Dr. Wiggins received his A.B. from Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, and the M.D. from the University of Michigan and served his internship in Mercy Hospital, Philadelphia. He is at present on the staff of the Cooper Hospital in Camden. In addition to being president of the New Jersey State Medical Association, he is president of the Camden Branch of the NAACP and of the New Jersey State Conference of the NAACP. He is also a member of the National Board of Directors of this organization. In addition, he is a trustee of the A.M.E. Church and of the Board of Management of the Y.M.C.A.

The Women's Auxiliary to the New Jersey State Medical Association held its meeting at the same time and many of the wives were in attendance.

NORTH JERSEY MEDICAL SOCIETY

For the year 1955 seven past presidents of the Society have each agreed to serve for one month as "guest president." The volunteers are as follows: January, DR. A. A. PHILLIPS; February, DR. CHARLES HARRIS; March, DR. H. F. BROCK; April, DR. J. W. PARKER; June, DR. C. C. POLK; September, DR. L. G. BROWN; November, DR. F. F. THOMPSON and December a medical-dental fellowship meeting with DRs. J. O. HILL and H. F. INGE as co-chairmen.

JOHN H. HALE SURGICAL SOCIETY

DR. WILLIAM L. SMILEY of Homer G. Philips Hos-

pital of St. Louis, Missouri, was guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Society on November 10, 1954 in Greensboro, North Carolina.

CLEVELAND MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, Cleveland, Ohio

At the regular meeting of the Association on January 6 at 9:30 P.M. at the Cleveland Cedar Y.M.C.A., a "Symposium on Convulsive Disorders" was led by DR. CREED F. WARD, Electroencephalogist at State Receiving Hospital and DR. JOHN LEWIS.

At the regular meeting on February 3 at the Cedar Y.M.C.A., DR. OSCAR HARDIN addressed the Association on, "Obstetrical Emergencies." DR. KENNETH CLEMENT is president and DR. ARTHUR E. BURNS, secretary of the Association.

MEDICAL READING CLUB, Cleveland, Ohio

The regular meeting of the Club was held on December 21, 1954. "Diagnosis of Acute Surgical Conditions in Infants," was discussed by DR. A. G. EVANS. Host for the evening was DR. E. B. SPENCER.

At the regular meeting of the Club on January 18, 1955, DR. J. H. MCMORRIES, spoke on "Rheumatoid Arthritis." DR. LEON S. EVANS was host.

THE DANIEL HALE WILLIAMS MEDICAL READING CLUB

DR. W. LESTER HENRY spoke on "Advances in the Understanding of Collagen Diseases," at a meeting of the Club held on December 20, 1954. DR. ALBERT R. HUGHES was host. DR. JOHN W. LAWLAH is president and DR. W. HENRY GREENE, secretary-treasurer of the Club.

Personal

DR. ISRAEL E. WILLIAMS (M.D., Meharry, '13) of Jacksonville, Florida, was unanimously voted president of Jacksonville Florida's interracial staffed Brewster Hospital in July 1954. He is the first Negro to hold the post.

DR. AUBRE DE L. MAYNARD (M.D., New York Univ., '26), director of the Department of Surgery of Harlem Hospital, addressed l'Académie de Chirurgie de France in Paris on July 1, 1954, on "Penetrating Wounds of the Heart." This was the first time that an American Negro surgeon had been asked to appear before this distinguished body.

DR. VON D. MIZELL (M.D., Meharry, '36), of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, was presented an Achievement Award by the Omega Psi Phi fraternity for his work in human relations and community service during 1954.

DR. EMANUEL L. MCPHERSON (M.D., Meharry, '40), of Greenville, South Carolina, was elected president of the South Carolina Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Association in 1954. He has served on the courtesy staff of the General Hospital in Greenville since 1951, when Negro physicians were first admitted.

DR. PETER M. MURRAY, president of the Medical Society of the County of New York, was appointed by outgoing Governor Dewey as one of fifteen new members to the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York. On January 8, Dr. Murray was selected to present the fifth annual Tamiment Book Award to DR. SELWYN A. WAKSMAN, Nobel prize-winning biologist, at a luncheon at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York.

DR. W. MONTAGUE COBB has been elected a vice president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and chairman of Section H (Anthropology) for 1955. He is the first of his race to have the honor of office in this organization of over 50,000 members founded in 1848. Dr. Cobb has been a fellow of the AAAS since 1938 and a member of the Council, its governing body, since 1953. He is currently vice president of the American Association of Physical Anthropologists and was an associate editor of the American Journal of Physical Anthropology, 1944-48. From 1949 through 1951 he was president of the Anthropological Society of Washington founded in 1879.

DR. ULYSSES G. MASON (M.D., Rush, '36) of Cleveland, Ohio, has been promoted from Senior Clinical Instructor to Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine at Western Reserve University.

DR. J. MARK COX (M.D., College of Medical Evangelists, '42), formerly assistant editor of the *Journal* and presently a major in the USAF, gave the Commencement Address at Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama, in May 1954. He spoke on, "The Responsibility of Leadership."

DR. JAMES A. OWEN (M.D., Meharry, '16), of Detroit, Michigan, NMA Trustee, attended the International Congress of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Geneva, Switzerland, July 23-27, 1954. Following the Congress he visited centers of medical interest in Paris and other parts of Europe. Mrs. Owen accompanied him on the trip.

DR. JOSEPH H. MOOREHEAD (M.D., Meharry, '45), of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, has been honorably discharged from the Medical Corps of the United States Army and expects to re-establish practice in his home city in the near future.

DR. N. CURTIS KING (M.D., Meharry, '24), of Los Angeles, California, has embarked upon a four-month tour which is expected to take him to many parts of Europe and Africa.

DR. O'DONNOLD H. SHEPPARD (M.D., '45) has been enrolled in the School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at Johns Hopkins University, under a fellowship awarded by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Dr. Sheppard recently returned from duty in the Public Health Service in Indo-China, Burma and India.

DR. JAMES W. PARKER, JR. (M.D., Howard '44) of Red Bank, New Jersey, was promoted on December 18,

1954 to the position of Assistant Physician and re-appointed Physician in the Out Patient Department of the Monmouth Memorial Hospital, Long Branch, New Jersey.

DR. LLOYD T. BARNES (M.D., U. of Pa. '38) and DR. AARON O. WELLS (M.D., Howard '46) as of January 1, 1955 have been granted private patient privileges at New York Hospital. This institution is part of the giant medical center of Cornell University.

DR. RUDOLPH H. MILLER (M.D., Howard, '47) has recently completed two years service in the Medical Corps of the U. S. Navy with the rank of Lieutenant Senior Grade and opened offices in Washington, D.C., in association with Dr. R. F. Jones, 717 Florida Avenue, N.W.

DR. WILLIAM E. TIMMS (M.D., Howard '49), of Los Angeles, California, has announced the opening of offices at 4266 South Central Avenue, in Los Angeles. Practice will be limited to obstetrics and gynecology.

DR. JOHN W. PARKER, JR. (M.D., Meharry '45), has announced the opening of offices for the practice of surgery at 416 Stuyvesant Avenue, Brooklyn 33, New York.

DR. CLYDE E. ST. HILL (M.D., Howard, '39), has announced the opening of his offices at 409 Stuyvesant Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. Practice will be limited to obstetrics and gynecology.

DR. JAMES C. THOMAS (M.D., Howard, '47), has announced the opening of offices at 151 West 74th Street, New York City, New York. Practice will be limited to obstetrics and gynecology.

New Diplomates and College Fellows

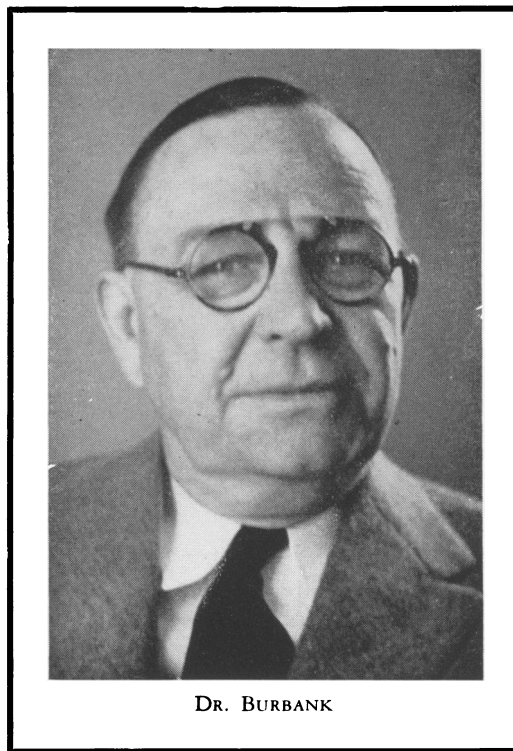
DR. ARTHUR E. BURNS (M.D., Meharry '46), of Cleveland, Ohio, has become a diplomate of the *American Board of Pediatrics*. Dr. Burns served his internship and residency at Harlem Hospital, New York. He is currently a member of the Department of Pediatrics at Western Reserve University and is on the staffs of Babies and Children's and St. Luke's hospitals in Cleveland.

DR. JOHN W. PARKER, JR., (M.D., Meharry, '45), of Brooklyn, New York, has become a diplomate of the *American Board of Surgery*.

DR. CLYDE E. ST. HILL (M.D., Howard, '39), of Brooklyn, New York, has become a diplomate of the *American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology*.

DR. JAMES W. NOFLES (M.D., Howard, '35), visiting physician in ophthalmology in Homer G. Phillips Hospital was recently inducted into fellowship in the *American College of Surgeons* at its November, 1954 meeting in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

DR. FRANK O. RICHARDS (M.D., Howard, '47), supervisor of surgery in Homer G. Phillips Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri and DR. MORRIS M. PROFFITT (M.D., Meharry, '47) of Chicago, Illinois, have become diplomates of the *American Board of Surgery*.



DR. BURBANK

DEATHS

DR. CARYL BURBANK (M.D., Georgetown, '03), of Washington, D.C., died suddenly on January 10, 1955. He was seventy-five. For twenty-seven years, from 1908 to 1935, he was a member of the faculty of Howard Medical School, serving during most of this time as associate professor of medicine, thus contributing to the medical education of hundreds of Howard graduates, by whom he was highly esteemed. As a bedside clinician, he imparted to all of his students a sense of intimate concern with the progress of each individual patient. He seemed to have in his head at all times a clear picture of the hour to hour progress of each patient under his care at any given time. It was apparent that to him his patients were persons in whom he was deeply interested and not just cases. When they were not doing well, he was not doing well either. In this sense, he was a doctor's doctor and represented throughout his long career the highest ideals of a noble profession.

Dr. Burbank had served since 1929 as a member of the Board of Examiners in Medicine and Osteopathy on the District of Columbia Commission on Licensure. He served in important civilian capacities in both World War I and II and was a life member of the District Medical Society and a fellow of the American Medical Association.

He is survived by his widow, the former Helen Fitz of Lynn, Massachusetts, a son, Dr. Daniel N. Burbank of Cedar Grove, New York, and two grandchildren.

DR. JAMES A. PETHEL, SR. (M.D., Howard, '99), of Charlotte, North Carolina, died on January 3, 1955.

He was born in Charlotte in 1875, where he attended the public schools and received the A.B. from Biddle University, now Johnson C. Smith University. He was a Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge No. 8, the McCrorey branch of the YMCA and a member of the Seventh Street Church. He is survived by his wife, one son and two granddaughters.

DR. JOHN W. SHELLCROFT (M.D., Leonard, '00), of Parkersburg, West Virginia, died in Parkersburg, West Virginia. He was eighty-one and had been a practicing physician for fifty-three years. A native of Antigua, B.W.I., he came to the United States at the age of sixteen. He prepared for Leonard Medical School at Shaw University, which conferred upon him a golden anniversary award in 1952. He was a member of the National Medical Association. Dr. Shellcroft is survived by his widow, Mrs. Maggie Pogue Johnson Shellcroft and a son, William Shellcroft.

DR. HAYES J. BURNETT, JR. (M.D., Howard, '33), of Buffalo, New York, died at the early age of forty-nine in January 1955. A native of Montclair, New Jersey, where he received his early education, Dr. Burnett was the son of a physician. He graduated from Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, in 1929 and established practice first in Montclair, but after military service with the Army Medical Corps, during which he was a Major in the 92nd Division, seeing service in Italy, he re-entered practice in Montclair. He went to Buffalo in 1949. He was a member of the staffs of the Columbus and Our Lady of Victory Hospital in Lackawanna.

He was a member of the Upstate Medical Alliance, the Erie County Medical Association, the National Medical Association, the Elks and the Omega Psi Phi fraternity, and was a 32nd degree Mason.

Surviving him are his wife, the former Miss Elsie M. Wilson of Keysville, Virginia, and an eight year old son.



DR. RAPHAEL E. TISDALE (M.D., Meharry, '43), of Montgomery, Alabama, has been commissioned a Lieutenant Commander in the Medical Corps of the United States Navy, and is the first Negro officer to hold this rank in this branch of the service. Dr. Tisdale is a native of Montgomery and received his undergraduate training at Morehouse College. He earned a master's degree at the University of Iowa and following graduation from Meharry served an internship and residency in general surgery at Homer G. Phillips Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri. He has been prominent in the affairs of the John A. Andrew Clinical Society and was its president in 1954.

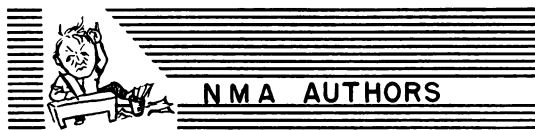
DR. BENJAMIN JONES, JR. (M.D., Howard, '44) of Washington, D.C., has entered the United States Armed

Forces with the rank of Captain and closed his office for the practice of urology for the period of his military service.

DR. WILLIAM G. LOFTMAN, JR. (M.D., Howard, '47) of Washington, D.C. is now serving as Captain, PSAF at Georges Air Force Base, Victorville, California. Prior to entering the service Dr. Loftman had served an internship at Harlem Hospital, a year with Dr. Robert S. Jason in pathology at Howard Medical School, a year with Dr. Henry Falk in gynecology at Harlem Hospital and the second year of a residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Mercy-Douglas Hospital, Philadelphia. He is expected to complete his military service in March 1955.

DR. WILLIAM G. POGUE (M.D., Howard, '45) formerly associate professor of physiology at Howard Medical School has entered the Army as a Captain and has been assigned to Germany, following five weeks basic training at the training center in Texas.

LT. COL. VANCE H. MARCHBANKS (M.D., Howard, '37) was recently in New Delhi, India, for a brief assignment.



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MONROE ALPHEUS MAJORS, 1864-

DR. MONROE ALPHEUS MAJORS, whose portrait by our staff artist, Mrs. Naida W. Page, appears on the cover of this issue of the *Journal*, was one of fourteen founders of the Lone Star State Medical Society, the second oldest Negro medical association,* and has been acknowledged the prime moving spirit in the formation of the organization. Now in retirement at Monrovia, California, in his ninety-first year, Dr. Majors was a medical practitioner for three score and six years. He saw the Negro's star zoom high in the early days of the Reconstruction. He had to flee before the terrors of the reaction, but has survived to see new justice on this planet being developed in the United States in the latter half of the twentieth century. His boyhood glimpses of the Negro as a first class citizen fired him with an unquenchable zeal for the advancement of his people. This found abundant and varied expression in activities as an editor, lecturer, writer and poet.

* The Medico-Chirurgical Society of the District of Columbia was organized in 1884, the Lone Star State Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Society in 1886 and the Old North State Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Society, now the Old North State Medical Society, in 1887.

In 1864, the year in which the Civil War ended, Dr. Majors was born in Waco, Texas, on Columbus Day, October 12, a date doubly auspicious for the adventurous and pioneering life he was to lead. He was the youngest of three children of Andrew Jackson and Jane Barringer Majors. A precocious child, Monroe took readily to books and much earlier than the average child successfully committed to memory the varied subject matter required by the teaching of that day.

At the age of ten he received an appointment as a page to the Legislature at the State Capitol in Austin. He recalls vividly the thrill he received at seeing forty-seven Negroes in the House of Representatives of Texas and four Negroes in the Senate. The speaker was a tall, fine looking colored man named Ruby. Young Majors read avidly whatever newspapers or books came to his hand. He came to hold T. Thomas Fortune, the editor of the *New York Age*, in high esteem. The *Police Gazette*, the *New York Clipper* and the *Southwestern Christian Advocate* were other periodicals that he occasionally saw. His upbringing was in the strict tradition and his parents were as stern about his attendance at church and Sunday School as they were for that at day school. Boyhood experiences that made lasting impressions on Monroe's mind were seeing the Georgia Callender Minstrels, hearing the great Billy Kersands sing "Dem Golden Slippers," and Wallace King, the tenor render, "Listen to the Cricket." The brass bands, the minstrel parades, the circus with its elephants and clowns, all made young Majors feel that the world was a good place in which to live. Andrew Majors, the father, must have exercised some degree of community leadership, for Dr. Majors writes that his father saw to it that Negroes voted regularly, including his two sons. At this early age, he came to feel that "the Republican Party is the ship, all else is the sea," according to the well known dictum of Frederick Douglass.

After three years as a page to the legislature, Dr. Majors' term expired, and he went to work in the Raymond House, then the best hotel in Austin. Here he came into contact with and observed first-hand many of the famous people of the day. He recalls Henry Ward Beecher, the great abolitionist preacher, Colonel Robert C. Ingersoll, President Diaz of Mexico, Joseph Jefferson, the great Shakespearean actor, Buffalo Bill, then a young man, John McCullough, Otis Skinner, Mojeska and many others.

When fourteen years old Dr. Majors entered Tillotson College in Austin, under the presidency of the Reverend W. Brooks, a former teacher at Yale University. President Brooks took a personal interest in young Majors and advised him that he should prepare for a profession. He continued working in the hotel while at Tillotson and banked his savings. He came to be in great personal demand among the guests and recalls many who would go without a shoe shine all day if he were not around. The Hotel cuisine had its attractions, for Dr. Majors writes, "I shall never forget the steaks, the desserts and the coffee." When he was eighteen he was appointed a mail clerk in the Post Office by Colonel John C. De-

1955 INTERIM MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



The Interim Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the National Medical Association was held in the Hotel Theresa, New York City, December 31 and January 1. In attendance were: (l. to r.) Dr. S. W. Smith, Los Angeles, representing Dr. Emory I. Robinson and the 1955 host Society; Dr. J. T. Aldrich, St. Louis, trustee; Dr. E. T. Taylor, St. Louis, treasurer; Dr. John T. Givens, Norfolk, executive secretary; Dr. Peter M. Murray, New York, chairman, Publication Committee; Dr. A. M. Townsend, Jr., St. Louis, chairman, Board of Trustees; Mr. Samuel C. Smith, Washington, D.C., administrative secretary; Dr. Muriel Petioni, New York, secretary, Manhattan Central Medical Society; Dr. John A. Kenney, Jr., Cleveland, trustee; Dr. William F. Nelson, Washington, D.C.; Dr. Matthew Walter, Nashville, president; Dr. E. Mae McCarroll, Newark, trustee; Dr. R. W. Hixon, Cleveland, speaker, House of Delegates; Dr. E. E. Toney, Oxford, N. C., secretary, Board of trustees; Dr. W. Montague Cobb, Washington, D.C., editor; Dr. James A. Owen, Detroit, trustee; and Atty. William T. Coleman, Philadelphia, counsel.

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Prior to the opening of the session for business, DR. A. N. DE QUADROS, principal (dean) of the Baroda Medical School of Baroda, India, was presented by Dr. Peter M. Murray. Dr. de Quadros is in this country on a Rockefeller fellowship. He described briefly his government supported institution which has a 400 bed hospital, the Shree Sayaji General Hospital, and graduated its first class in 1954. He emphasized the firm belief retained by his people in spiritual values in non-violence and in the ultimate hope of bringing people together peacefully. He also spoke of the pleasure of his contact with DR. FLEMMIE KITRELL, nutritionist of Howard University, whom he met when she was on a recent tour of India.

Following Dr. de Quadros, there were brief addresses by DR. J. CLARENCE CHAMBERS, JR., superintendent of the James Ewing Memorial Hospital of the New York Department of Hospitals, and by DR. CHANNING H. TOBIAS, chairman of the Board of Directors of the NAACP. Dr. Chambers reviewed briefly the story of the hospital service system of the City of New York, where the 1956 Convention will be held. Dr. Tobias described in stirring terms the significance of the May 17 decision of the United States Supreme Court against segregation in education and the NAACP's fight for freedom. He praised the interest and the role which medical men have played and which he hopes they will continue to play. It was the hope of the Board that stenographic record will permit publication of Dr. Tobias remarks in some future issue of the *Journal*.

Preliminary reports on plans for the Los Angeles Convention were presented by Dr. J. B. Johnson and Dr. S. W. Smith. These were extensively discussed.

It was voted on recommendation of the executive secretary, that suitably engraved certificates duly framed, be presented members who have been in practice forty years or more at the Los Angeles Convention.

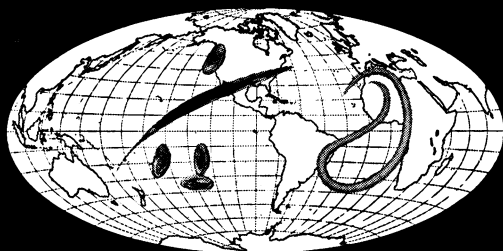
It was voted, also on recommendation of the executive secretary, that \$400 be appropriated for prizes for attendance at the Exhibits at the Convention.

It was voted on recommendation of the Publication Committee, that the proposed contract with the publisher for the next five years be signed.

The resignation of DR. J. MARK COX, as assistant editor of the *Journal* was accepted with regret and best wishes and the appointment of DR. LASALLE D. LEFALL, as his successor was confirmed.

The reports of all the officers, councils, and committee chairmen present were presented and received appropriate action.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHARLES R. DREW MEMORIAL FORUM OF THE NATIONAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

DR. MATTHEW WALKER, Chairman of the Drew Memorial Forum has announced that the Forum, held annually as an integral part of the program of the Surgical Section of the N.M.A., will be held at the Los Angeles Convention in 1955.

The yearly award for the most worthy scientific contribution, of a plaque or certificate and a \$50.00 honorarium will be made as usual. Physicians eligible for the award must be individuals currently receiving hospital residency training.

Manuscripts to be presented must be submitted to the Chairman three months prior to the Convention which opens on August 8.

EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

The office furniture and equipment of the late DR. WILLIAM WORTHY, 239 Northampton Street, Boston 18, Mass., are available for purchase. Anyone interested should contact MISS MYRTLE A. WORTHY at the above address.



BOOK REVIEWS

PROGRESS IN NEUROLOGY AND PSYCHIATRY, AN ANNUAL REVIEW, VOLUME VII, Edited by E. A. Spiegel, M.D., Professor and Head of the Department of Experimental Neurology, Temple University School of Medicine, Philadelphia, Pa. Grune & Stratton, New York, 1952. xiv + 604 pp. \$10.00.

As usual this work represents a rather heroic effort to survey and report on the progress in the various areas of neurology and psychiatry. There are extensive bibliographies included. There are sections on the basic sciences, such as neuroanatomy, neurophysiology, neuropathology, and pharmacology of the nervous system. There are sections on neurology, neurosurgery and psychiatry. The section on psychiatry now includes excellent chapters on child psychiatry, psychosomatic medicine, group psychotherapy, and shock therapy.

This work should prove of value as a reference of recent material for clinicians, researchers, and teachers in the field of neuropsychiatry.

MICHAEL M. MILLER

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tor in orthopedic surgery and served as instructor in gynecology from 1945 through 1950. He is a past president and secretary of the Association of Former Internes of Freedmen's Hospital. He has served the Medico-Chirurgical Society of the District of Columbia as secretary, a member of the Board of Governors, and on many important committees. He is a senior surgeon